

Agenda Item No. 4 – Proposed Purchase of Long-term Storage Credits from the Ak Chin Indian Community in 2018

On April 10, 2018, the AWBA and the Ak Chin Indian Community (Community) entered into a three-year long-term storage (LTS) credit purchase agreement. The agreement allows for an annual determination of the purchase and sale of up to 6,600 acre-feet of LTS credits accrued by the Community. At that time, the AWBA purchased 3,600 acre-feet of LTS credits using Phoenix AMA withdrawal fee monies. Staff is proposing to purchase the remaining 3,000 acre-feet of LTS credits using reserved Maricopa Water Storage Tax funds. Based on the Annual Purchase Price calculation described under Section 2.5 of the agreement, the total cost of the credits is \$695,730. The amount of the credits and the purchase price are consistent with the target amount identified in the AWBA's 2018 Plan of Operation and within the Maricopa County Water Storage Tax monies reserved by the CAWCD Board for this purpose.

The LTS credits will be from the following storage facilities:

Roosevelt Water Conservation District GSF – 2,580.46 acre-feet
Hassayampa USF – 419.54 acre-feet

CAWCD staff was notified of the potential purchase. The CAWCD Board was also updated by General Manager Ted Cooke as part of his general manager's report at the September 6th Board meeting. The Community approved the additional sale on September 5th.